

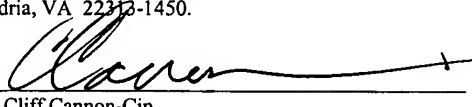
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- International Publication No. WO 99/11818 of Karube *et al.*, "Method for detecting highly functional polypeptides or nucleic acids," (1999) in Japanese with English abstract;
- International Publication No. WO 01/51663 of Bass *et al.*, "Integrated systems and methods for diversity generation and screening," (2001) provided by WIPO;

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